



# Cattle Inventory

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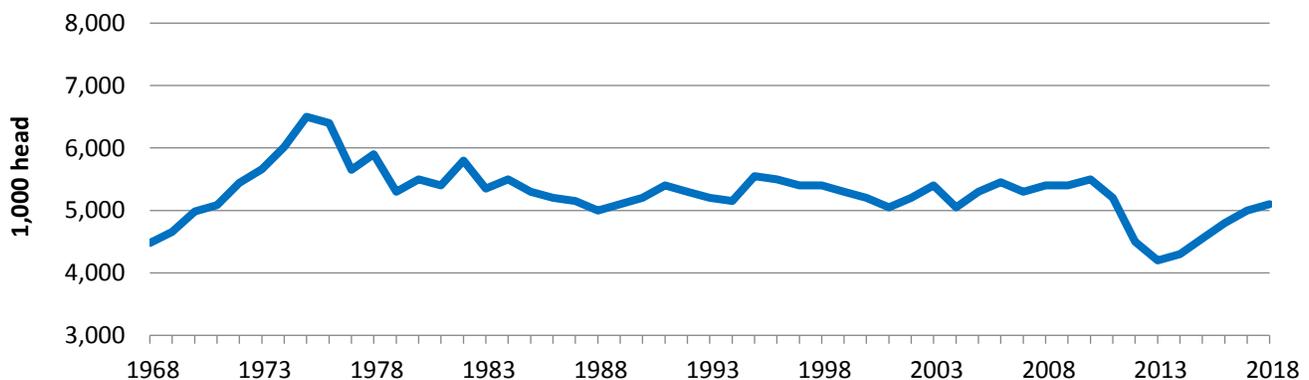
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Estimates in this report are the result of data collected during the January Cattle Survey from a random sample of producers across the nation. Survey procedures ensured that all cattle producers, regardless of size, had a chance to be included in the survey. Data provided by Oklahoma and Texas producers are the foundation of these estimates made for the Southern Plains Region. We would like to thank all who responded to the survey and made these estimates possible.

Inventory and calf crop estimates were reviewed using official slaughter data, import and export data, and the relationship of the current survey indications to previous surveys. Revisions to previous estimates are made to improve year to year and item to item relationships.

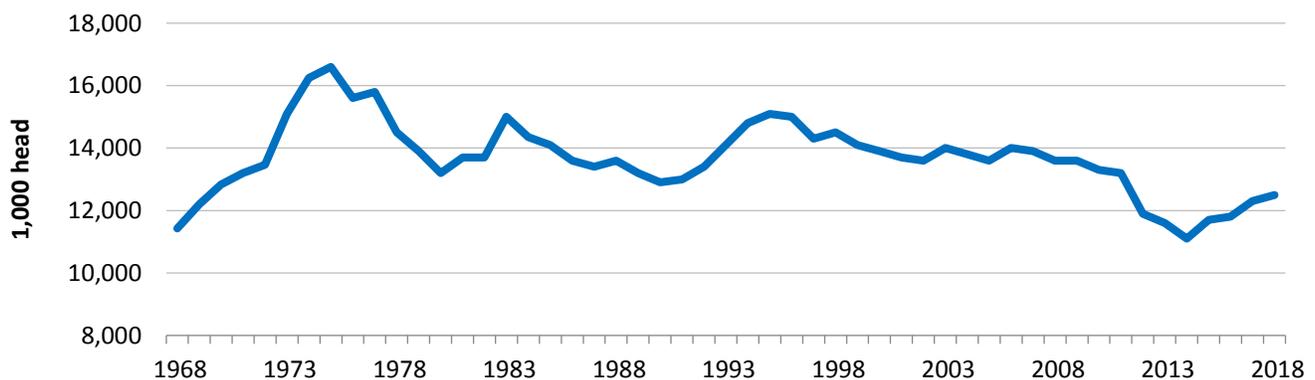
The inventory of Oklahoma cattle and calves totaled 5.10 million head on January 1, 2018, up 2 percent from last year's inventory. Oklahoma makes up 5 percent of the total United States inventory.

## Oklahoma All Cattle Inventory



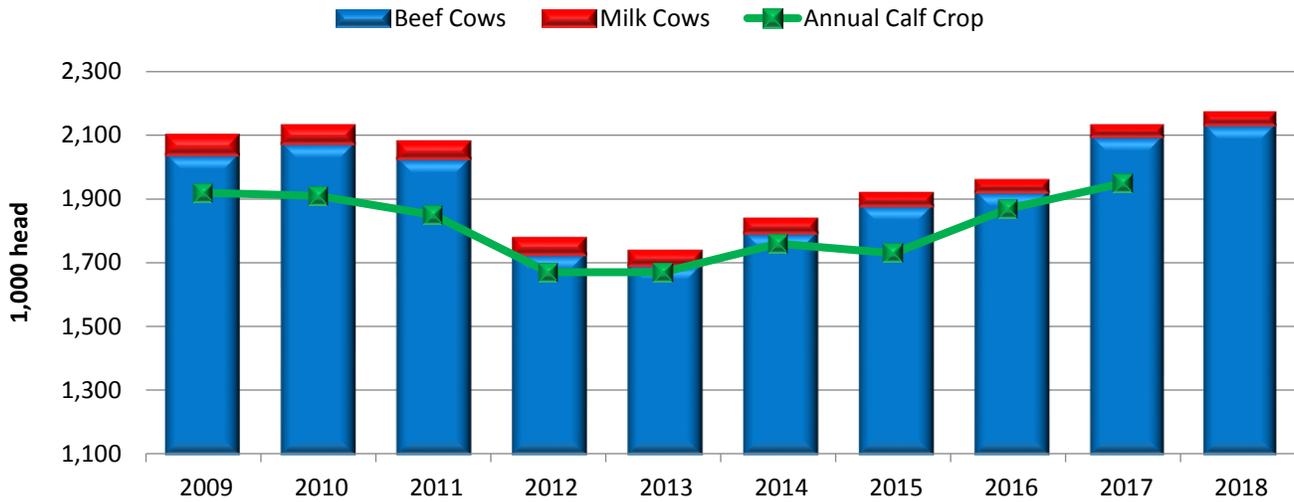
The inventory of Texas cattle and calves totaled 12.5 million head on January 1, 2018, up 2 percent from last year's inventory. Texas continues to rank first in the nation in total number of cattle and calves with 13 percent of the total United States inventory.

## Texas All Cattle Inventory



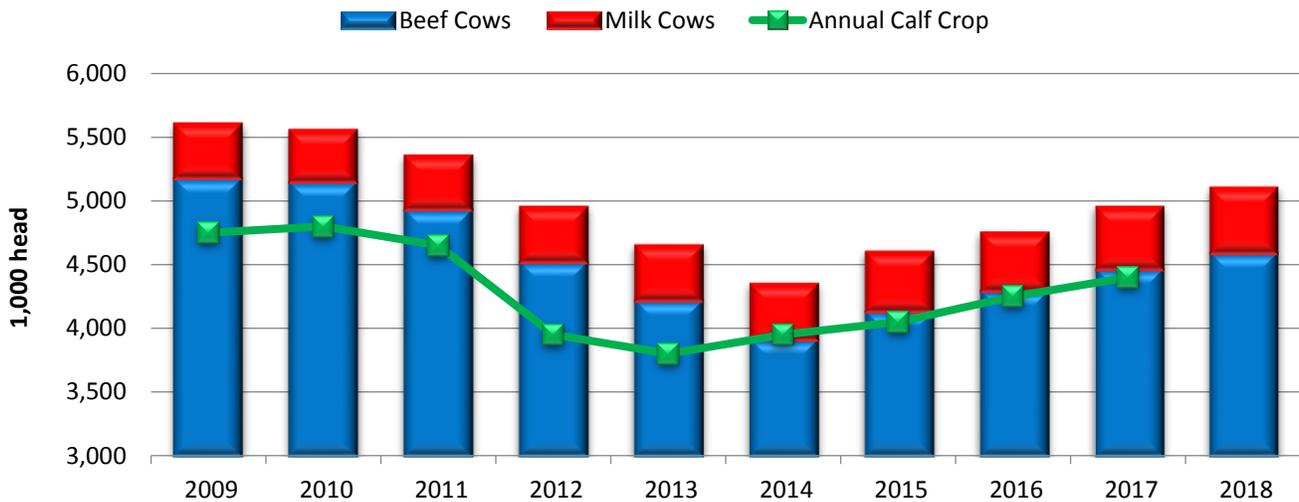
Total inventory of all cows that have calved in Oklahoma was 2.17 million head, 2 percent above last year's total. Beef cow inventory, at 2.13 million head, was up 2 percent from 2017. Milk cow inventory, at 39.0 thousand head, was up 4 thousand head from the 2017 total of 35.0 thousand head.

### Oklahoma Cow Inventory and Calf Crop



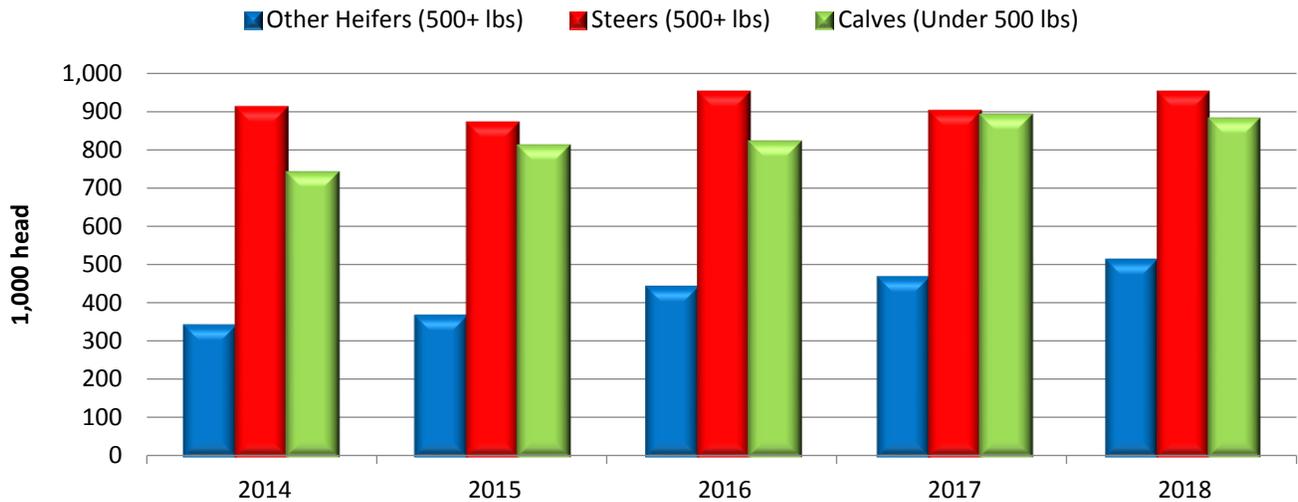
Total inventory of all cows that have calved in Texas was 5.10 million head, 3 percent above last year's total. Beef cow inventory, at 4.59 million head, was up 3 percent from 2017. Milk cow inventory, at 515 thousand head, was up 25 thousand head from the 2017 total of 490 thousand head.

### Texas Cow Inventory and Calf Crop



Inventory of all heifers 500 pounds and over in Oklahoma totaled 945 thousand on January 1, 2018, 3 percent above 2017. Beef replacement heifers, at 410 thousand head, is 6 percent lower than 2017. Milk replacement heifers totaled 25.0 thousand head, up 25 percent from last year.

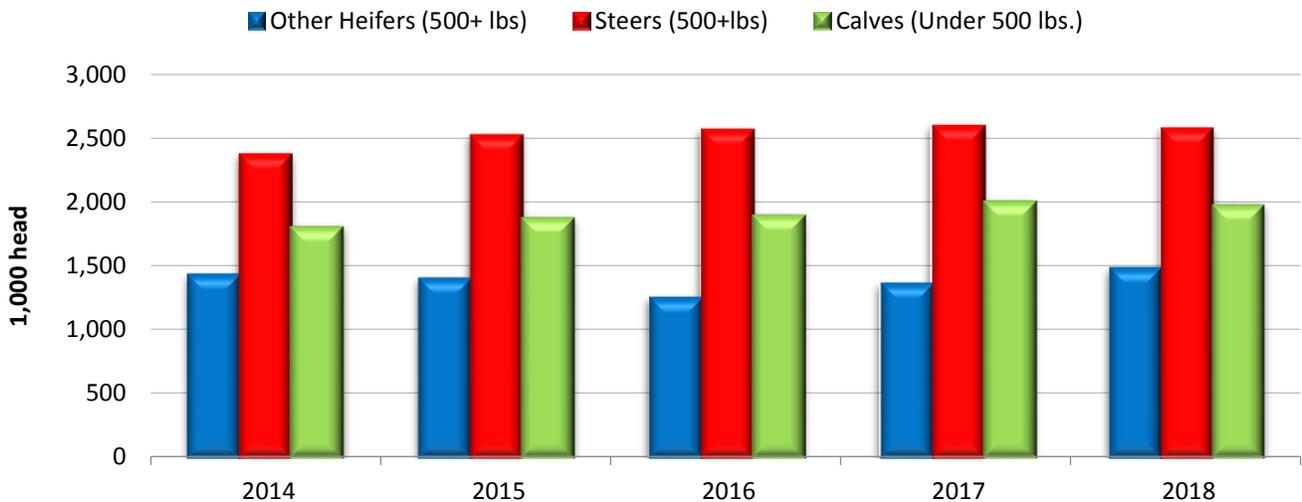
### Oklahoma Feeder Cattle Supply



Oklahoma inventory of steers 500 pounds and over totaled 950 thousand head on January 1, 2018, up 6 percent from last year. Inventory of calves less than 500 pounds, at 880 thousand head, is 1 percent below last year's total. The 2017 calf crop totaled 1.95 million head, 4 percent higher than the 2016 calf crop.

Inventory of all heifers 500 pounds and over in Texas totaled 2.52 million on January 1, 2018, 4 percent above 2017. Beef replacement heifers, at 800 thousand head, is 1 percent lower than 2017. Milk replacement heifers totaled 250 thousand head, down 4 percent from last year.

### Texas Feeder Cattle Supply



Texas inventory of steers 500 pounds and over totaled 2.57 million head on January 1, 2018, down 1 percent from last year. Inventory of calves less than 500 pounds, at 1.97 million head, is 2 percent below last year's total. The 2017 calf crop totaled 4.40 million head, 4 percent higher than the 2016 calf crop.

**January Cattle Inventory and Calf Crop  
Oklahoma, Texas, and United States**

	Oklahoma		Texas		United States	
	2017	2018	2017	2018	2017	2018
	<i>1,000 head</i>		<i>1,000 head</i>		<i>1,000 head</i>	
All Cattle and Calves .....	5,000	5,100	12,300	12,500	93,705	94,399
Cows & Heifers that have calved.....	2,130	2,170	4,950	5,100	40,559	41,123
Beef Cows .....	2,095	2,131	4,460	4,585	31,213	31,723
Milk Cows .....	35	39	490	515	9,346	9,400
Heifers 500 pounds and over .....						
Beef Replacement .....	435	410	810	800	6,368	6,131
Milk Replacement .....	20	25	260	250	4,754	4,781
Other Heifers .....	465	510	1,350	1,470	9,010	9,332
Steers 500 pounds and over.....	900	950	2,590	2,570	16,384	16,352
Bulls 500 pounds and over .....	160	155	340	340	2,244	2,252
Calves under 500 pounds.....	890	880	2,000	1,970	14,386	14,427
Calf Crop.....	1,950		4,400		35,808	

**U.S. Highlights:** The United States inventory of all cattle and calves totaled 94.4 million head on January 1, 1 percent above last year's inventory of 93.7 million head.

All cows and heifers that have calved totaled 41.1 million head, up 1 percent from the 40.6 million on January 1, 2017. Beef cows totaled 31.7 million head, up 2 percent from a year ago, while milk cows were up 1 percent from a year ago at 9.40 million head. Beef replacement heifers, at 6.13 million head, were down 4 percent from the previous year. Milk replacement heifer numbers were up 1 percent to 4.78 million head. The 2017 calf crop was estimated at 35.8 million head, up 2 percent from 2016.

Link to the US report: <http://usda.mannlib.cornell.edu/MannUsda/viewDocumentInfo.do?documentID=1017>